Crowd to Garfield Park at Early Hour.

Other Places Were Popular for Picnic Parties.

### **BALA DAY AT REFORM SCHOOL**

Boys Given Liberty to Celebrate National Holiday.

Other News of Interest to North Shawnee County.

Early this morning, people began assing through North Topeka for Garpark and the various resorts, where they expected to spend the day at picnicking or fishing. An unusually large crowd, for the hour was at Gar-

field park at noon.

A concert by Marshall's band was iven this afternoon and another will be given tonight. The night concert will be followed by a great fireworks

The grounds of the Industrial school

The grounds of the Industrial school was another favorite place. The members of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church held their annual picnic there, and this afternoon boys of the various classes played baseball with the team of the institution.

This boys at the institution were given liberty during the day with practically nothing to do. A large plenic dinner was given, and the day's celebration closed with a battalion drill.

The management of Garfield park was prepared to handle a large crowd. The people of Fairview and Elmont are holding a joint celebration at Indian creek. A special program, including athletic events was carried out.

An Old Settler Dead.

Mrs. Grace H. Clark, age 57, died.

Mrs. Grace H. Clark, age 57, died. Friday at one of the local hospitals, she was one of the old settlers of North Topeks, and is survived by two sons and three daughters, who have lived practically all of their lives in this part

of the city.

The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock
Bundsy, at the home of her son Walter
Clark, at 202 Holman street, and interment will be in Rochester cemetery. Church Notices.

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Church of the Good Shepherd, Episcopal, corner of Laurent and Quincy streets, the Rev. Albert P. Mack, minister in charge. Services for the fourth Sunday after Trinity wil be: Sunday school at 10 o'clock, morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock. During the months of July and August there will be no exemples services.

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be no evening services.

Personal Mention.

Robert S. Spetter went to St. Joseph
this morning to visit with relatives until Sunday evening.

E. J. Willits of Volland, and daughter, Theita, are the guests of Mr. Willits mother, Mrs. C. H. Willits, at \$27

N. Van Buren street.

Roy Slaybaugh will leave this afternoon for Chicago, St. Paul, Milwaukee,
Vancouver and the northwest. He will
be gone two or three weeks.

E. E. Olinger, of Oklahoma City, is
visiting relatives and friends in North
Topeks, and is on business. He formerly lived in North Topeks, and was
engaged in selling real estate and insurance, He represented the north part
of Shawnee county in the legislature.

Miss Lucie Sherburne is in Manhattan, the guest of friends for the weekend.

end.

A. M. Petro, druggist.—Adv.

Oran Layton, manager of the Santa.
Fe apprentice's ball team, went to
Wordward, Okla., yesterday, with his
team, for a game today.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bever and
Mr. and Mrs. Richard McDonald of
Maple Hill are spending the Fourth
with Mr. and Mrs. Earl George of
Grove. Kan.

## JUST LIKE A LAMB.

imbued with an idea of "sanity." They passed an ordinance prohibiting the sale or setting off of fireworks in the longitude.

Youngsters who had regarded the Youngsters who had regarded the mayor as a vague potentate with whom they had no dealings felt that he had turned the hand of the law most heavily against them. With Micawber-like optimism they expected that, before the next Fourth o' July, something would turn up. But nothing did. Father supplied no extra quarters. Mother allowed the linament, the peroxide and the soft cloths to remain in the medicine closet. And young America went about with a woebegone face. He felt forlorn.

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Three years of sanity have dampened his ardor. He no longer looks with envy at the lurid magazine pictures of the bandaged boy. He learns in school that Thomas Jefferson wrote the declaration, having composed it with the aid of John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman and Robert Livingston, And if he feels that these gentlemen are somewhat slighted by the passing years, he makes no sign.

Drapes Her Porches.

Drapes Her Porches. Having draped a few of her front porches with a flag or a yard of bunting, Topeka settled back and read

the magazines undisturbed.

This morning cars started to Gage This morning cars started to Gage park, where various picnics were held. Commissioner Porter drove the historical gold-dipped spike into the new railway ties at 2 o'clock. The Knights and Ladies of Security band played patriotic airs. Aquatic sports had been planned under the direction of R. F. Holcomb of the Y. M. C. A. Prizes of \$10 were awarded the winners of the en's 220-yard and the women's 50-yard swim. Battery A arranged an artillery exhibition.

Fireworks at Garfield.

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Fireworks will be displayed at Garfield tonight. The pyrotechnic display will start at 10 o'clock. Marshall's band will give programs in the afternoon and evening. Japanese lanterns have been strung from tree to tree and red-white-and-blue drapings looped about the amusement stands. Free motion pictures will be shown after dark.

Interest at the Country club centers about the tennis match between Collinson. Morford, Jordan and Shoemaker of Topeka and Potest, Masters, Campbell and Howard of the Kansas City Athletic club. The club courts are in excellent shape, the drift in and a large attendance is expected.

The rainfall during June, 1914, was very unevenly distributed over Kansas. It was above normal in the central and extreme northern counties and several southwestern counties. In the Kaw valley the rainfall was one of the heaviest on record for June.

There were quite a number of counties, however, scattered over the western half of the state, and a few in the eastern half, where less than 2 inches fell during the entire month. Fortunately nearly all these dry counties had received scaking rains in May so there was very little damage done except in the Missouri river counties, where the drought was broken before the middle of the month, and in the extreme southeastern counties where rains at the close of the month greatly relieved the situation.

Baseball This Afternoon. The baseball fans are thankful that Fourth of July games haven't been eliminated by city ordinance. Topeka met Wichita on the park diamond in

a doubleheader. Small boys who have been defrauded of firecrackers and the excitement of singed lashes went to root for the Kawa.

Whoever's longing for the noisy days that used to be should take heart if misery loves company. Practically every municipality in the land of the free has adopted a Fourth of July ordinance similar to that passed in Topeka. Firecrackers are to beed in Topeka. Firecrackers are to be come as obsolete as the ornithoryncus

### A REPLY AT ONCE.

(Continued from Page One.). challenge was directed to you, as the man responsible for systematic mis-statements concerning the administra-tion, but I have heard nothing from

tion, but I have heard nothing from you in reply thereto.

"June 22, I did receive a letter from Mr. J. C. Gafford, chairman of the Republican state committee, in which he said: 'We accept your challenge,' but in his succeeding sentence Mr. Gafford withdrew this acceptance of my challenge, and proposed instead an unofficial auditing committee to determine how much money has been spent by the various departments of the state government during the present administration.

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"Naturally, I gave no serious consideration to this letter proposal for the reason that I knew it was intended only to furnish Mr. Gafford a form of reply to my challenge which would be neither an acceptance nor declination, and also to afford him opportunity to repeat the false statements to which I object.

Challenge's Capper.

"I challenged you to meet me in joint discussion. I made no conditions other than that I desired to discuss miss statements you have published concerning the present administration. I hereby renew that challenge, and I will be giad to so broaden the discussion that it by renew that challenge, and I will be giad to so broaden the discussion that it may include any department presided over by an appointee of the present executive. However, if you, or your advisers, feel that you are not equipped to meet me in such a discussion until you have made an audit of the state's accounts, or had one made for you, I hereby offer you such assistance as you may need in familiarizing yourself with the state's business affairs. Tou may be assured that every department under executive control will co-operate to provide complete information as to its receipts and disbursements. I make this offer, not only that you may be thereby induced to engage in the joint discussions I have suggested, but also in the hope that when you have learned what any honest examination of the records must disclose, some measure of the truth concerning the present administration may filter its way into your columns.

"I am ready for these discussions now, and I shall not need the help of an auditing committee to verify any statements I have made or shall make. statements I have made or shall make. You will be at liberty to develop the truth concerning the administration in any way you see fit. There will be no disposition on my part to quibble concerning the amount of appropriations or expenditures. I will accept the statements of the state and auditor and state treasurer, who are your friends and supporters, as to what their records show, when properly certified under oath.

The large distribution of interest and dividend payments was followed by some activity in bonds, but investors were still indisposed to follow this movement into the stock list. Delay in the freight rate case continued to act a strong deterrent factor, which even the more alluring crop prospects could not overcome.

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A number of adverse rallway state-A number of adverse railway statements were submitted during the week that of the New York Central System being particularly unfavorable. Receivership for the Cincinnetti, Hamilton & Dayton railroad was foreshadowed and received with the hope that it may work to the advantage of the Baltimore & Ohlo road.

It is expected that the next few weeks will bring an increased demand for funds in connection with crop movements. Banks throughout the country are in a strong position and nothing in the nature of a stringency is probable.

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Sons and Daughters of Justice members are requested to be present Monday evening as matters of importance are to be attended to. Cool refreshments for every one.—Adv.

THE TOTAL RAINFALL IN KANSAS

From Reports Furnished by Substations of the Local Office of the Weather

Climbing, but Near It.

Won, Not by Hitting, but by Not The American Minister Hitting at It.

Did Mr. Scott Peddle Trans- Offers His Services as Mediator portation in Last Round.

the Cooleykaws.

(By Harvey Parsons.) Two bad innings for the home pitche revented the clean-up that was due nd unpaid. But at that, the game is

atter. When the Redlegs swatted him ight merrily in the fifth period, and equired three runs, he repined not, but acquired three runs, he repined not, but came to but first and later scored from a walking start. Two of his fellow conspirators followed in due order and again it was anybody's game with four notches to traverse. Thus wadded the disturbance, with nothing much doing until the ninth, when Wichita copped two and thought to make the slaughter doubly safe by introducing a new pitcher, one Scott, to relieve Nick Maddox. That was the mistake that lost the



game for Wichita. Maddox may have been tired, but he had kept his goat tethered in the underbrush just out of range. Scott's nanny was right there in plain view, and ere the first ball had passed over the washboard, it was mutton stew. The whole thing soured on the quicksanders in about a minute.

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While Mr. Maddox was off his feed While Mr. Maddox was off his feed and greatly peeved at everything, it was not the peeve that made him throw it away. With Mr. Scott, it was a clear case of lost ibex with no "lost-and-found" advertisements answered. And as for Herr Reisigl—he had some bad moments and two bad innings, but through the smoke of battle, one might view his flag still waving. With pleasant thoughts of the day he knocked one by der club haus door in, he pegged away, and didn't explode worth a pffening.

DURING JUNE, 1914

Not Exactly a Case of Porch- President Requeste Resignation of George Fred Williams.

Greece and Montenegro.

### LESS THAN EXCURSION RATES BUTTS INTO BALKAN AFFAIRS

Without Authority.

However, It Counts a Game for Was Putting United States in Bad With Europe.

Term Is Brief.

Washington, July 4.—The term of George Fred Williams as minister to Greece and Montenegro has been brief but has attracted much attention.

A few weeks ago President Wilson, Becretary Bryan and other officials were amazed by a published report that Mr. Williams had circularized the powers, offering his services as mediator in the Albania crisis. Albania crisis.

State department officials then said the minister had no authority to do so, but had been given permission to visit Epirus and make a report on the incident and Mr. Williams replied he was sending one

Mr. Williams replied the was increased recently by publication officials was increased recently by publication of a further attack on the Albanian situation, the part taken by the European powers, and the rule of Prince William, attributed to the minister. So far as is known the powers have made no representations to Washington over the minister, a activities.

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President Wilson personally called the attention of the state department to the gravity of the situation and pointed out that no time should be lost in letting the powers know Mr. Williams was acting without instructions or approval of the United States. The call for his resigna-

erected in honor of coal-region volun-teers killed in the civil war, was today unveiled with elaborate ceremonies. At Williamsport a flag was raised on top of Bald Eagle mountain to mark the centenary of the writing of "The Star-Spangled Banner."

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President Wilson was greeted by a shrill chorus of factory whistles as he entered the square in front of historic Independence hall. In attendance were members of congress and governors or representatives of the governors of the original thirteen states, and delegates from nearly every patricitic organisation of the country. The president occupied a chair used by John Hancock and before him was the table on which the declaration of independence was signed. A pitcheronce used by George Washington was on the speaker's table. Lines of saliors, marines and soldiers occupied the space in front of the platform, and beyond them stretched a lung crowd drown the president's arrival at the Broad street station he was welcomed by a delegation of citizens and by the First city troop of Philadelphia, which acted as his guard of honor during the drive to Independence square, a mile distant. Driving on Broad and Chest-nut streets, closely surrounded by his secort and by city police and secret service men, Mr. Wilson was enthusiastically cheered by large holiday crowds.

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Pounding his fist on the table on which the declaration of independence was signed, he declared Americans to-day must manage their affairs in a way to do honor to the founders of

the nation.

There are men in Washington to-day, he declared, whose patriotism is not showy but who accomplish great patriotic things. They are staying in hot Washington, doing their duty, keeping a quorum in each house of congress to do business, "and I am mighty glad to stay there and stick by them," he added.

Middleweight Championship

them," he added.

Touching on business conditions
President Wilson said a great many
allegations of facts were being made
but that a great many of these facts
do not tally with one another. "Are
these men trying to serve their country or something smaller than their
country?" the president asked. "If
they love America and there is anything wrong, it is their business to put
their hands to the task and set it
right."

Appertaining to Mexico.

Eighty-five per cent of the Mexican people, the president said in touchinfi on Mexico, never have had a right to have a "look in" on their government or how the other fifteen per cent were running it.

Philadelphia, July 4.—President Wilson has requested the resignation of George Fred Williams. American minister to Greece and Montenegro, as a result of Mr. Williams public statements regarding the situation in Albania. This became known following the president's arrival here today.

Mr. Williams' own reports on his statement were taken up at the cabinet meeting "esterday and afterward Mr." Wilson decided their effect was such that it would be improper for Mr. Williams longer to represent the United States in the Balkans.

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Appertaining to Mexico.

Eighty-five per cent of the Mexican weight champion. The foul occurred in the eight nound. The battle was hard fought from the beginning.

Both men fought from the beginning.

Both men fought furiously and mixed it up continually. McGoorty could accomplish little, however, against his adversary's superior skill. He tried repeatedly to land left hooks, but each time was blocked. He was desperate when he committed the foul. Much interest was shown in the fight and a great crowd attended. The contest was scheduled to go twenty rounds.

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Term Is Brief.

Speaking on Panama tolls, the president said the treaty with England might be a mistake, but its meaning cannot be mistaken and he believed in keeping the nation's obligations. He believed in keeping the name of the United States unquestioned and unsullied.

Near a Panic.

Before the president got his speech well under way the crowd surged forward in such confusion that a panic was threatened. Two companies of marines and sailors stood before the speakers' stand and Mr. Wilson was forced to stop several times, but finally got the crowd under control.

"Liberty does not consist in trying to get a front seat," he said with a smile at one point.

While the president was waiting to speak, Mrs. Emith. mother of one of the first sailors killed at Vera Cruz, greeted him. Mr. Wilson told her she should be proud of her son and shook her warmly by the hand.

"It must be a great comfort to you to have been the mother of such a hero," he said. On the return to the station, the president was tumultuously cheered. During the trip a woman in the crowd threw a bunch of roses which nearly hit the president in the face. It was caught by Mr. Tumulty, his secretary. The president kept his party waiting at the station while he thanked

Boston, with three and one each lead the pitchers.

E. Burns, of Philadelphis, is leading batters in the National League. His average of twenty-four games is .355. Next comes Hummel, Brooklyn, .322; Delton, Brooklyn, .329; Grant, New York, .37; Byrne, Philadelphis, .337; Becker, Philadelphia, .336; Connolly, Boston, .506; Daubert, Brooklyn, .306. Philadelphia leads in team hitting with .257, and New York is next with .256. Herzog, of Cincinnati, is ahead in stolen bases with 37. Mathewson is setting the pace for pitchers with 13 won and 3 lost, and Pfeffer, Brooklyn, and Doak, St. Louis, are credited with seven victories and two defeats each.

was caught by Mr. Tumulty, his secretary. The president kept his party waiting at the station while he thanked Captain McFadden, commanding the escort, for his services. As the train drew out a large crowd clapped and cheered, while the president, on the observation platform of his car, bowed and smiled.

Cooley Fills Infield Too-Potts and McGrath Leave.

league.

Cooley is satisfied with his club in every department excepting a left-handed pitcher. He is hunting the country for a southpaw, and if he can get one that is good, he thinks he will have as good a club as there is on the circuit.

Passes to Jimmy Clabby.

lates Rules.

forced on him by a broken thumb, wh his rivals slumped, put him in first pla among the batters of the Americ

Favorable Today for Fourth of July Celebrations.

Rain Does Not Invariably Fall on This Date.

### RECORDS EXPLODE OLD THEORY

In Desperation McGoorty Vio. The Fourth Has Been Dry for Last Ten Years.

Sydney, July 4.—Jimmy Clabby of Hamond, Ind., tonight won on a foul from Eddie McGoorty of Oshkosh, Wis., the title of world's middle-weight champion. The foul occurred in the eighth round. The battle was hard fought from the beginning.

Both men fought furiously and not abnormally hot, but at that the ice cream men are rushed to fill their

The old theory that it always rains

on the 4th of July is exploded by the records at the local government weather bureau. There has been no seasurable precipitation on this date in Topeka for ten years. However, there were light sprinkles in 1909 and 1911, which did not produce more than enough moisture to wet the government gauge. As a matter of record, measurable rain has fallen on the 4th of July but ten times in the twen-

4th of July but ten times in the twenty-eight years that the local reports have been issued. This is about normal for any date at this time of year.

An Old Superstition.

For generations people have had the idea that cannonading produces rain, and the impression has been common that the good old-fashioned noisy Fourth of July kind of celebration, that the kiddles of Topeka no longer anjoy, was conducive to a disturbance of the elements.

"Sunny" Flora, the local weather among the batters of the American League, according to averages published here. His percentage is 345. The next nine batters in the American League are:

C. Walker, St. Louis, 343; Baker, Philadelphia, 329; Crawford, Detroit, 334; Jackson, Cleveland, 232; E. Collins, Philadelphia, 314; Speaker, Boston, 301; Lelivelt, Cleveland, 287; R. Wood, Cleveland, 281; Milan, Washington, 289. The Athletics lead in club batting with 351 and Detroit is second with 246. Maisel, of New York, leads in stolen bases with 27. Ranked, according to games won and lost, Plank, Philadelphia, with eight and two; Leonard, Boston, with 10 and three and Pennock, Philadelphia, and Wood, Boston, with three and one each lead the pitchers.

of the elements.

"Sunny" Flora, the local weather
man, said today: "The theory that
cannonading causes rain is a superstition. Smoke isn't necessary in producing rain; in fact has nothing to do

Rain After Battles.

"The idea originated from the fact that battles are usually followed by rain—history shows that. Battles are nearly always fought in countries where there is plenty of rainfall—where there is rain on an average of one day out of three. If it is possible for a general to pick a time for a battle he will start it on a day when the weather is favorable. Consequently, by the time the fight is over a rain may be due."

The records show that in recent years there has been sweltering weather on July 4. In 1911 the maximum temperature was 106 degrees,

mum temperature was 106 degrees, and this was followed on July 5 by a temperature of 107—the high mark for Topeka. In 1912 the mercury climbed to 91 degrees, and last year

climbed to 91 degrees, and last year to 94.

The highest temperature recorded on this date in the last twenty-eight years was 106 in 1911; the lowest was 56, in 1892.

The forecast calls for "generally" fair weather tonight and Sunday, with little change in temperature.

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